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SUBJECT: LOCKHEED TO ASK FAA FOR SUPPLEMENTAL TYPE CERTIFICATION FOR MODIFICATIONS ON PERON'S AIRCRAFT.

1. GOA RECENTLY PURCHASED A NEW, STRIPPED BOEING 707 TO BE USED AS PRESIDENTIAL AIRCRAFT. GOVERNMENT IS PRESENTLY NEGOTIATING WITH LOCKHEED FOR NECESSARY MODIFICATIONS--INSTALLATION OF SELF-CONTAINED GAS TURBINE POWER UNIT, SPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT, INTERIOR PARTIONS AND FURNISHINGS, ETC.

2. LOCKHEED HAS OR SOON WILL CONTACT FAA TO REQUEST THAT ALL MODIFICATIONS RECEIVE SUPPLEMENTAL TYPE CERTIFICATION (STC). WE UNDERSTAND THAT THERE MAY BE SOME RELUCTANCE ON PART OF FAA SINCE CERTIFICATION IS NEITHER REQUIRED NOR NORMALLY PROVIDED ON FOREIGN-OWNED AIRCRAFT. HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE THAT CONSIDERABLE EXTRA WORKLOAD ON FAA REQUIRED TO PROVIDE STC IS WARRANTED THIS PARTICULAR CASE ON BOTH POLITICAL AND COMMERCIAL GROUNDS.

3. AAF AND CIVILIAN AVIATION AUTHORITIES IN ARGENTINA ARE FAMILIAR WITH FAA PROCEDURES AND THEY WILL WANT THE ASSURANCE PROVIDED BY COMPLETE CERTIFICATION EVEN IF THEY HAVE FULL CONFIDENCE IN LOCKHEED. MOREOVER, WE BELIEVE THE USG INTERESTS BEST SERVED BY ASSURING OURSELVES, INsofar AS PRACTICAL, THAT AIRCRAFT TO BE USED BY PRESIDENT PERON IS AIRWORTHY.

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